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PROCESSING OF A COAL  
FORMATION TO CONVERT  
A SELECTED TOTAL  
ORGANIC CARBON  
CONTENT INTO  
HYDROCARBON  
PRODUCTS

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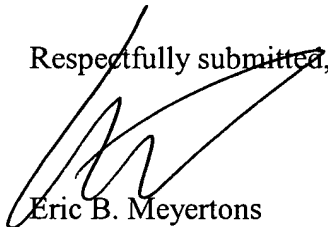
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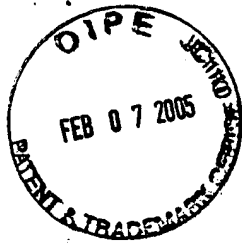
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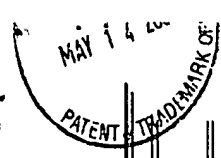
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